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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(1)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2001 for one (1) month from March 18, 2001 to April 18, 2001.

A check including the amount for the extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) is enclosed. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 16-0607.

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